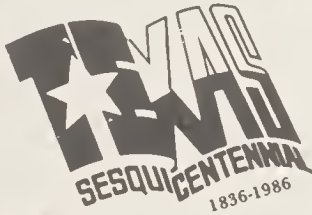


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear Fellow Members - from time to time the question, "What are the duties of each of the elected officers?" is asked. This month, and next, I will list the duties of each elected official. This will give you a picture of the responsibilities carried by each officer, and will, perhaps, help you in deciding whom to contact regarding a problem you may have.

The President shall have general supervision over all affairs of the association. His duties shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Preside at all meetings of the association
2. Call meetings of the Governing Board
3. Name appointive officers, except the Editor of the official publication. Such appointments shall be subject to approval of the Governing Board
4. Fill by appointment any vacancy in an elective or appointive office. Such appointee shall be subject to approval by the Governing Board and shall be governed by all regulations as were those whose vacancy they fill

5. Appoint temporary committees and remove same at will
6. Co-sign checks drawn by the Treasurer
7. Issue a call for the nomination of officers
8. Invite appointive officers, active committee chairmen, requested by the Governing Board and other persons when their presence will benefit the organization, to attend regular and called meetings
9. Serve ex-officio as a member of all committees

The First Vice-President shall:

1. Assist the President in the discharge of his duties
2. Preside in the absence of the President
3. Succeed to the office of President should that office become vacant before the elected President's term has expired.
4. Supervise all educational projects: the TNA NEWS and its Editor, and the TNA Memorial Library
5. Aid and supervise the Youth Program Chairman in his duties

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WHAT KIND OF COLLECTION?

Cliff Valley,
San Antonio, Texas

An important area of concern, especially for the newer collectors or for collectors who have primarily been buying randomly, is that once they have narrowed their interests down to one or a few areas of collecting, they must then decide how to arrange these given areas. For United States collectors, this is not particularly difficult, but for those who collect foreign coins like myself, this can be quite a problem.

Often, when an area of concentration is selected, the beginner tries to acquire as many coins in that area as he can, and set up some form of order. A system must be established, but does he stick to collecting types or try to collect every year and type? Let's look at an example.

My personal interest is Germanic coinage. That's not so difficult you'd think, because Germany was created in 1872 and with only 114 years to consider, there can't be that much variety in coinage produced - right? Well, as it happens, that isn't necessarily true. There is a surprisingly large amount to deal with. First, Germany, as we know it today, is in its fourth organization since its establishment. From 1871 to 1918, it was Imperial Germany. From 1919-1933, it was the Weimar Republic. Nazi Germany lasted from 1933-1945, and from then on it has been the Federal Republic in two forms itself. If you include East German coinage, notgeld and other interim forms, you have an enormous number of coin types. **The Handbook of Emergency Coinage of Germany** listed 8500 types of notgeld

alone.

So, let's pick a particular denomination, for example - the 10 pfennig piece. The general collector might think a complete year set would total about 200 coins - hard work, but attainable. But let's look closer! The earliest designs (1873-1888) were made at nine different mints for a total of approximately 60 different issues, some of them being very rare. A rough guess would be that there are around 800 types of regular issues to be found. If one collects all 10 pfennig types made, there are easily another 500 examples in notgeld (1917-1923) and specialized forms. Obviously, the beginning collector should probably work at a type set, otherwise his accomplishments may be very limited. I collect by types and have no regrets. My types number about 500 and I have a very long way to go. In some areas, notably commemoratives, I haven't really even started.

To conclude, set your limits at the beginning. If you must collect a full set (years and types), start small. One member of the Gateway Coin Club in San Antonio specializes in 1/2 mark coins. This set has about 48 coins total and even though our collector has been at it for years, he is still searching, not only to fill still vacant holes in his set, but also to upgrade and improve the existing stock. I think this is very smart and hope he ends up with the best collection around. What ever you decide on, good luck with it.

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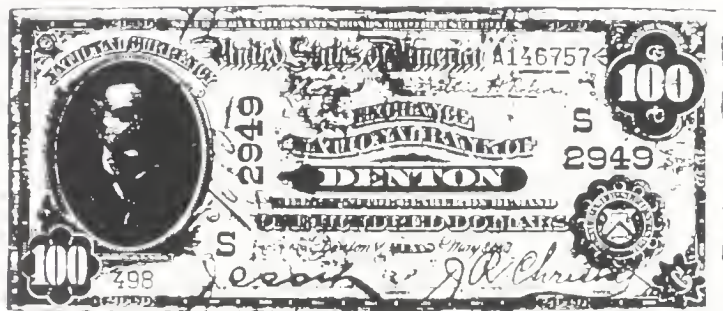
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When I wrote my article on the Exchange National Bank of Denton, Texas, I did not have a note to go along with the story. At the International Paper Money Show in June, I acquired one and it is now my favorite note and also my highest denomination note. This bank only issued \$5, \$50 and \$100 notes and this is the third to the last \$100 issued — Serial #498. This is a very beautiful note, front and back. I also began to wonder about the man pictured on the note - John J. Knox. Who was he and what did he do to be pictured on our nation's currency? Following is what I learned:

John J. Knox was born on March 19, 1828 in Augusta, New York. He graduated from Hamilton College in 1849. Starting in 1852, he worked in various banks as a teller. This was until the early 1860s when he and his brother were conducting a private banking business. He published an article advocating a national banking system and this led

to him being appointed a clerk in the United States Treasury Department. He held this position until 1865. In 1866 he was put in charge of the mint and coinage correspondence. He became deputy comptroller of the currency in 1867 and comptroller in 1872. In a period of 10 years he had gone from clerk to one of the highest positions in the Treasury Department!

Knox was on a committee that was influential in the passage of the Coinage Act of 1873. This Act discontinued the coinage of the silver dollar. On May 1, 1884 he resigned to become president of the National Bank of the Republic in New York City. He remained there until his death on February 9, 1892. He had numerous writings and among them was the book "United States Notes: A History of the Various Issues of Paper Money by the Government of the United States." This was published in 1884 and has been reprinted.

The following article Six Flags Over Texas, fifth in a series by Bob Medlar, appeared in the November 1967 issue of TNA NEWS. The series is being reprinted as an appropriate addition to TNA's participation in the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial celebration. — Editor.

SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS



and their coinage — Part V

R.E. (Bob) Medlar,
San Antonio, Texas

Early in the term of Mirabeau B. Lamar, Texas started issuing Republic of Texas notes (Redbacks) in \$5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 500 denominations, and their corresponding change notes of \$1, 2 and 3. There is no accurate record of the quantities issued, either individually or in total, since some were re-issued and included in the total recorded. When Lamar was replaced by "Ole Sam" Houston in December 1841, the total debt was \$7,300,000.

President Lamar's administration is remembered for sizeable expenditures, too many employees and too large a navy and army. It should be pointed out that all was paid in highly depreciated currency, so perhaps they were not too high when considered against their equivalents.

The continued depreciation of the finances of the Republic and the

general dissatisfaction were responsible for Sam Houston's return to the presidency. He immediately tried to reverse the fiscal trend toward complete bankruptcy. He recalled all other money and they became of value only to pay duty and taxes, which immediately made them worthless. He issued Exchequer notes which were closely controlled, parsimoniously issued, and destroyed when redeemed. So successful was he in the last area that by 1852 only \$13, 208.29 remained outstanding. Today only a small handful can be found.

By this time government employees were caught in a financial squeeze that threatened the very life of the Republic. During Houston's first and Lamar's administrations the salaries were fairly high because they had been established so as to take into consideration the declin-

ing purchasing power of the dollar. Sam Houston, in his political speeches before election, had scored this extravagance and, of course, when re-elected, was committed to cutting back all expenses, including salaries. This, however, immediately threatened a loss of personnel since a salary draft of \$200 was usually discounted to about 60 per cent and sometimes to 20 per cent depending upon the fortunes of the Republic at the moment.

Some of the retail prices at this time (August-October 1843) were: Bacon, per lb., 9¢; Coffee, per lb., 15¢; Corn, per bu., 8¼¢; Lard, lb., 1¼¢; Nails, lb., 10¢; Sugar, lb., 8¢; and Flour, per bbl., \$8. At the same time salaries had been reduced to where it was very difficult for government employees to make ends meet and many were forced to resign and go into private business.

State officials were actually in better shape under Houston's second administration than under Lamar's. Many drafts were issued with directives written on them from Sam Houston or his secretary that they were to be honored by specific Custom Offices, and these offices were to pay out moneys received only upon his authorization. Apparently by this means, Houston was able to channel much needed financing to personally-approved projects and payrolls, the technique was apparently necessary to keep efficient officers of the government from resigning. This accounts primarily, for the many changes in signature combinations, particularly in the

change notes which were signed by six different combinations during Lamar's administration.

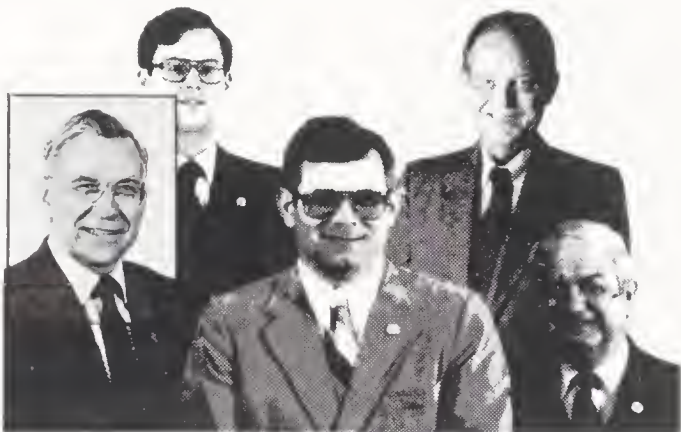
Anson Jones, the third and last president of the Republic, was inaugurated in 1844 and carried on the policies and efforts of Sam Houston. Jones' avowed goal of office was to complete the juncture with the United States and this he accomplished on Dec. 31, 1845.

"Viewing the entire period of the Republic, the history of expenditures falls into two well-defined divisions, one extending from 1836 to 1841 and the other from 1841 to 1846. Total expenditures for the first period were \$7,128,873 or \$1,184,178 annually. The greatest drain on the Republic and the chief cause of its difficulties was the military and naval expenditures." (Miller, E.T., *A Financial History of Texas*)

The main manifestations of the Republic are the tokens of her biggest problem - the paper money. Often seen are the notes called Republic Notes and Audited Drafts. Less often found are the earlier Government notes, and very seldom see, except in the hands of advanced collectors, are the Star Notes. Rarest and most highly prized of all are the few Exchequer notes.

Thus ended the Republic and its stormy course through 10 long but progressive years. Remaining were the problems of changing a governing system to that of statehood and liquidating the debt of the Republic which was nearly \$10,000,000. But this story was a problem for the new state of Texas, for the Republic was no more.

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The Texas Numismatic Association and the Fort Worth Coin Club, as host, extend an invitation to join in the celebration fun planned for May 23, 24, 25 in Fort Worth, the city where the first officially-designated TNA convention was held in 1960. Convention site is Tarrant County Convention Center.

The Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial 150th anniversary of independence from Mexico is named honoree and the birthday theme will be used in numismatic exhibits, educational programs and other convention activities.

Clifford Mishler, Iola, Wisc., publisher of **Numismatic News**, popular weekly coin publication, and Robert (Bob) E. Medlar of San Antonio will share the speaker's platform at the educational forum. Medlar is a well-known Texas collector, coin dealer and author of numerous articles and books on Texas currency. Medlar is serving as a governor of the American Numismatic Association. Both speakers have selected Texana as subjects to discuss in keeping with the Sesquicentennial theme.

Many exhibitors have reserved space in the exhibit room, entering competition for the TNA and the Sesquicentennial awards. Competitive exhibits will be judged in 10 classes - U.S. coins, U.S. paper mon-

ey, obsolete U.S. paper money, foreign coins before and after 1500 A.D.

Also, foreign paper money, medals, tokens, general/specialized and a junior division. Top awards include best in show, the Joe B. Davis award for best in Mexico coinage, and the Richard H. Schweers award for best in coins prior to 1500 A.D. That award is provided by Greater Houston Coin Club of which the late Mr. Schweers was a member.

For the 1986 TNA convention only, a special Sesquicentennial category has been included and separate awards have been selected. Exhibitors are welcome to enter both the regular TNA and the special categories. TNA judging rules will apply in both categories. Exhibits must carry the Sesquicentennial theme and contents must be Texas tokens, medals, paper, commemoratives, any item used as money in Texas. First, second and third place awards plus a junior award will be given.

When sending in the exhibit application, please specify if it will be entered in the regular TNA category, the Sesquicentennial category, or both. Request applications from Charles F. Cox, TNA exhibit chairman, 4812 Glade St., Fort Worth, Tx. 76114.

Dealers wanting bourse space should contact Robert E. Slocum, 6732 Fortune Rd., Fort Worth 76116. The spacious Tarrant County center

can accomodate 150 dealers for buying, selling, trading and appraising during the three day event.

Greeting guests at the May 23 opening ceremony will be the Honorable Mayor of Fort Worth, Bob Bolen; Gib Lewis, speaker of the Texas House of Representatives; and Pam Hawkins, Miss Fort Worth. Also attending will be Florence Schook, president of the American Numismatic Association.

Numismatic Auctions of Florida wil conduct the auction and consignments are now being accepted. Contact the firm at their new address: Bakery Centre, 5745 Sunset Dr., South Miami, Fla. 33143 or phone 305/373-3001.

Several historical numismatic exhibits will be placed by the U.S. Mint the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and the U.S. Post Office.

The Fort Worth Hilton Hotel, located near the convention center, has been booked as hotel headquarters. Those planning to attend the convention are urged to make hotel reservations **NOW**. The address is 1701 Commerce St., Fort Worth 76102, phone 817/335-7000. Specify that you will be attending the TNA convention.

Howard Luke is convention chairman and his committee heads include Slocum, bourse; Ken Jones, assistant bourse; Charles Cox and Werner Pegg, exhibits; Joe Wade, publicity; Lloyd Campbell, educational forum; Katherine Kennady, registration; Linda Wade, governor & club representative and awards breakfasts.

Others are Pegg, awards, ribbons and badges; Elleta Havens, program, special events and TNA meeting coordinator; Floyd Dorsey, signs; Robert Culbertson, auction coordinator; and Billie Jones, VIPs. Charles Wooley is the Fort Worth Coin Club president.

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We can chalk up another howling success to the hard-working group who presented the 29th Money Show of Greater Houston Coin Club. I will take no credit for this as I was not a part of the show committee. The weather was great; no rain and in the 60s for the most part. There were near 3,000 visitors who were eager to buy at the low prices offered by the dealers.

Al Loja, general chairman of the 1987 Money Show, reported that over 80 per cent of the tables were sold before the dealers left the show.

The exhibits brought smiles of appreciation to the faces of those who were presented awards for their efforts. Bernard Loebe won best in show with a great exhibit of Venezuelanian gold.

The exhibit which will travel for viewing throughout Texas in this Sesquicentennial year was presented for the first time for public viewing. These 12 cases of Texana will be shown at Abilene, El Paso and other Texas cities.

In some of the past articles, I have asked for the assistance of TNA members in some projects. One is the forming of a group of judges such as the ANA has. These judges will be used in TNA and local exhibits when needed. We have a few such good volunteers but we need many more . . . about 15 as a start. We need judges in all categories in which TNA presents awards. As a start we need at least three in each category.

Another project which TNA has assigned to me is the task of presenting to ANA a list of those Texans which you, the collectors of Texas, feel should be listed in the ANA Hall of Fame. These names should be of persons who have given freely of time, talent and knowledge to deepen the knowledge of numismatics.

So far I have not received any letter from any member on either of these two subjects.

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The purpose of NCW is to give collectors an opportunity to share the fun and excitement of their hobby with the general public.

This year's theme is a reminder that coin collecting is an activity which can be enjoyed by young and old, an activity in which the whole family can participate.

NCW activities can be varied and extensive. Individuals as well as coin clubs can plan events in their communities which provide information and stimulate interest in the

hobby. Many clubs plan coin shows and invite dealers from the area to set up a table, as well as encouraging club members to exhibit their collections.

Coin clinics are a good way to create interest and provide a service. A club or even an individual can set up a table or booth at a local shopping area, public library or bank and answer questions or identify coins and other numismatic items brought by the public. Exhibits can be placed in libraries, banks or other public buildings.

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junior readin' roundup

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The current controversy surrounding the subject of coin grading is certainly a heated debate, and will probably be so for some time. This month's article will offer a few tips on grading and preservation of rare coins to equip the reader with the basic knowledge needed to fight the grading battle.

One of the best sources for grading knowledge is **Official ANA Grading Standards for United States Coins**. By reading a few pages in this book, a collector should be able to accurately grade coins in a short time. Another popular grading book for coins in circulated grades is **Photograde** by James F. Ruddy. These books should be in every collector's library, as they are considered the cornerstone of grading for a majority of collectors. Once you are armed with "book knowledge," practical experience will be of great importance to your grading expertise.

Seeing and grading as many coins as possible will be your best education, because often coin grading involves comparing coins of a similar issue to one another. This task of comparison involves such areas as

strike, luster, imperfections, high points, cleaning, eye appeal and other important factors. Learning about these grading criteria will be your best source of education on grading.

Grading a coin is best accomplished with a 10-power (10x) magnification glass (loupe). Any greater magnification will distort your perspective of the condition of the coin. Attempt to view one whole side of the coin for overall eye appeal. Look for scratches, nicks, dents, discoloration and wear on the surface of the coin, and compare your results with your grading guide.

Remember to look closely for slight signs of wear on a coin that is presented to you as Mint State. Often these coins have slight wear on the high points of the coin, which can be detected by a slight discoloration or rub on an area. The rub area will show up best if the coin is rotated under direct light while viewing. If you notice an area of wear (friction of any kind), the coin is probably About Uncirculated instead of Mint State.

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1. Assist the President and preside in the absence of both the President and the First Vice-President
2. Aid and supervise the District Governors and Club Representatives in the discharge of their duties
3. Supervise the membership chairmen in their duties
4. Plan and direct the District Governors and Club Representatives meeting to be held during the annual convention

Next month I shall list the duties of the other elected officials. In the meantime, please make plans to attend our annual convention to be held the latter part of May 1986 in Fort Worth. I hope that each of you will make every attempt to attend the annual meeting.

from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Jerry Williams

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SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB, KoKo Palace, Lubbock. **WRITE**: Norris Ramsey, Box 64118, Lubbock 79424, 806-794-2309.

MARCH 22-23

WACO COIN CLUB, annual show, Waco Convention Center. **WRITE**: Club, Box 8014, Waco 76714-8014.

APRIL 4-6

COMANCHE COUNTY COIN CLUB INC., Collectible Festival, Montego Bay, I-44 - Gore Blvd. Exit, Lawton, OK. **BOURSE**: Jack Bradley, Box 172, Marlow, OK 73055.

APRIL 5-6

MIDLAND COIN CLUB, 4th annual coin show, Midland Center, Main & Wall Sts. **BOURSE**: C.B. Nutter, 3803 Cedar Spring Dr., Midland 79703.

APRIL 12-13

GATEWAY COIN CLUB, coin show, Sheraton Inn, 1400 Austin Hiway, San Antonio. **WRITE**: Club, Box 21087, San Antonio 78221-0089. 512/271-3429.

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CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB, Coin Show, La Quinta Motor Hotel. **WRITE**: Club, Box 3191, Corpus Christi 78404.

APRIL 20

DALWORTH COIN & STAMP CLUB, coin & stamp show, Rode-way Inn at Six Flags. **CONTACT**: Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118.

MAY 9-11

OKLAHOMA NUMISMATIC ASSN. annual convention. Details later.

MAY 23-25

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. convention, celebrating Texas Sesquicentennial, Tarrant County Convention Center, Fort Worth. **BOURSE**: R.E. Slocum, 6732 Fortune Rd., Fort Worth 76116. 817-737-5915.

MAY 31-JUNE 1

CAPITOL CITY COIN CLUB, 14th annual coin show, Quality Inn South, Austin. **CONTACT**: Club, Box 33159, Austin 78764.

MAY 31-JUNE 1
VICTORIA NUMISMATIC CLUB, Annual Show. Details later.

JUNE 7-8

GARLAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn, 13700 LBJ Freeway & Centerville Rd. **BOURSE**: Billy D. Gilbreath, Box 461303, Garland 75046.

AUGUST 29-31

DALLAS COIN CLUB, annual coin show, Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Dallas. **CONTACT**: Ron Blaha, Box 7673, Dallas 75209.

SEPTEMBER 6-7

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, 26th annual show, Sheraton Hotel Ballroom. **BOURSE**: Fred Clark, 115 S. Chadbourne, San Angelo 76901, 915. 653-4731.

SEPTEMBER 20-21

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, coin show, Beaumont Hilton, 2355 IH-10 South. **BOURSE**: Jerry Williams, 2645 North St., Beaumont 77702.

SEPTEMBER 27-28

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, Quality Inn South. **WRITE**: Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

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OWEN

Charlie D. Owen of Electra recently died at his home. He was 79.

Mr. Owen, a native of Hillsboro, had lived in Electra most of his life and was a member of the Pipefitters Union. He was a member of Texas Numismatic Association and area coin clubs.

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District Meetings

DISTRICT I —

Weights and measures of coins were discussed by Buddy Randals at the **Stephenville Coin Club** meeting held at Golden Corral Restaurant. He discussed gold and silver and answered questions on the subject.

Members donated \$25 to the Stephenville Sesquicentennial Committee and are making arrangements to display the TNA traveling exhibit during the latter part of March. - Lorene Randals, Sec.



Morris Johnson
Governor

ers are expected to attend. For table reservations write to Nutter, 3803 Cedar Spring Dr., Midland 79703.

Two new junior members joined **Comanche Springs Coin & Stamp Club** of Ft. Stockton at a recent meeting at Pecos County State Bank.

A "Dutch Treat" dinner was attended by 13 at K-Bobs Steak House and election of new officers was held. Sympathy was extended to Don Turnbow, whose wife died. Mr. and Mrs. Turnbow joined the club in 1985.

The club meets the 4th Tuesday at Pecos County State Bank. - Jo Beth Shellenberger, Sec.

DISTRICT II —

April 5-6 are the dates selected by **Midland Coin Club** for hosting the annual coin show, according to Clifford B. Nutter, bourse chairman.

The show will be held at the Midland Center, corner of Main & Wall Sts. Over 45 deal-



August H. Gaeze Jr.
Governor

DISTRICT IV —

At the January meeting of **Waco Coin Club**, new officers were selected and include Joe Olson, president; Robert Schuetze, 1st vice president; Jim Shannon, 2nd vice president; J.P. Jones, program chairman; Lloyd Brown and



Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

Thornton Priest, co-secretaries; and Warren Hall, treasurer.

The 8th annual coin and stamp show on March 22-23 will take place at the Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Ave. The show is co-sponsored by the **Waco Heart of Texas Stamp Club**.

Due to inclement weather, the club was forced to postpone the planned holiday party until January. Plans were also made to host a chili supper in February. - **J.P. Jones, Program Chrmn.**

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DISTRICT V —

The corrected dates for the **Dallas Coin Club** coin show are August 29-31. The event will be held at Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 4099 Valley View Lane. Ron Blaha is general chairman and can be reached at Box 7673, Dallas 75209, 214/270-4880.

Ben Hong was installed president for 1986 along with Ron Blaha, vice president and Tom Ragsdale, secretary/treasurer. C.C. Andrews was installing officer.

John Rowe was in charge of the program and told the group about the numismatic collection assembled by Amon Carter Jr. of Ft. Worth. Amon Jr. was an accumulator of many things including stamps, telephone insulators, stock certificates, coins and paper money.



Paul Garner
Governor

Whereas Amon Sr. was a pioneer gold specialist, Amon Jr.'s specialty was foreign currency. The family collection of U.S. coins was sold by Stack's and major rarities included an 1804 silver dollar and proof specimens of 1801, 1802 and 1803 dollars. Rowe said it took approximately one year to move and appraise some 350-400 boxes of coins, stamps and currency. - **Club Bulletin.**

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Plans are already in progress for the **Garland Coin Club** annual coin show. It will be held at Holiday Inn, 13700 LBJ Freeway & Centerville Rd. on June 7-8. Billy D. Gilbreath is bourse chairman and his address is P.O. Box 461303, Garland 75046.

New officers were installed by Timothy Lee and are: Frank Clark, president; Randy Borland, vice president; and Al Bromberg and Ray Holt, directors. The club is seeking a secretary/treasurer as Norman Morgan was unable to accept the position.

Tokens of appreciation were presented Frank Clark, Holt, Gilbreath, Borland, Lee and Barney Welch for serving the club so faithfully. - **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VI —

The annual Money Show hosted by **Greater Houston Coin Club** came to a successful conclusion, according to club officials.

Making its debut before a tour of the state was the Texas Numismatic Association's Sesquicentennial traveling exhibit on loan from the Houston Museum of Natural History entitled "Coins & Currency in Texas History."

Victor Butts was speaker at the awards' breakfast and spoke on Numismatic Crime Investigation stressing the importance of heightened consciousness on the part of collectors and numismatists to the fact that our hobby puts us in a high-risk category for becoming crime victims.

Exhibit award winners were: U.S. paper money - Terry Brundle, 1st; foreign after 1500 A.D. - Bernard Loebe, 1st; Ray Aldrete, 2nd; foreign paper money - Bernard Loebe, 1st.

Also, medals - Charles Brundle, 1st; Bill Mark, 2nd; specialized - Ralph W. Ross, 1st; Paul J. Meyer, 2nd. Chris Johns was awarded 1st place in the special category of Texas Sesquicentennial exhibits.

Special awards were presented Ralph W. Ross, People's Choice; the Gerald Kendall award for best ancient coin exhibit went to Carl Forgarty who also won 1st place in for-



Chris Johns
Governor

eign before 1500 A.D. and Bill Mark took 2nd in the same category. The A. J. Mitula best in show went to Bernard Loebe. - **Chris Johns, Gov. Dist 6.**

Fred Baker was in charge of the program at the **Bellaire Coin Club** meeting and spoke on the Lincoln Cent which has established itself as the U.S. coin with the ongest existence - 1909 to date - without a change on the obverse.

Baker told of the controversial VDB initials on the reverse and went into the subject of metal content through the years.

Due to a conflict with another meeting, the time of the Bellaire club meeting is being changed to 7:30 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. - **Club Bulletin.**

Guest speaker I.J. Meidam spoke to members of **Pasadena Coin Club** on Military Payment Certificates and displayed his collection. Russ Clickner introduced the speaker.

Programs for February meetings were being lined up Tom Windshimer, program chairman. Also, auctions were planned. The club meets at Ramada Inn on Airport Blvd. in the restaurant. - **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VII —

"The Story of Gold," an audio-visual presentation, was given by Karla Galindo at one of the February meetings of **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio. An auction was also planned for February. The club meets at Wyatt's Cafeteria, Loop 410 & Nacogdoches, on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Preparations are progressing for the Gateway coin show April 12-13 at Sheraton Inn, 1400 Old Austin Hiway, and featured will be exhibits using the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial theme in addition to regular exhibit categories.

For bourse applications write Mike Greenspan, Box 21087, San Antonio 78221-0089. Anyone wanting to enter a numismatic exhibit, contact Frank Galindo, Box 12217, San Antonio 78212. - **The Gatepost**.

DISTRICT IX —

Plans were finalized by members of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock for the annual coin show March 22-23 at KoKo Palace. Twenty one attended the regular meeting.

A main attrac-

MARCH, 1986



Frank Galindo
Governor

tion for show visitors will be the showing of the TNA traveling exhibit entitled "Coins & Currency in Texas History" on loan from the Houston Museum of Natural Science and **Greater Houston Coin Club**.

Under discussion were the club's entry in the Club Salute. Members were reminded of the special Sesquicentennial exhibit category at the TNA convention. Jim Hall and D.O. Joplin conducted the auction and Bob Lisbee, a new member, won the door prize. Serving of refreshments closed the meeting. - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9**.

A swap session highlighted the meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** in Littlefield at the Reddy Room. Ten members were present.

Contributions were made to the TNA Mini News which this year will be expanded to include historical memos concerning Texas clubs and oldtimers.

Dates for area coin shows coming up were announced and one member made application to join TNA.

The door prize was won by E.L. Merriott. - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9**



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DISTRICT X —

Porfirio Montes, bourse chairman for the annual coin show sponsored by **International Coin Club** of El Paso, announced that nearly all bourse tables had been sold. The show was held February 28 - March 2 at Rodeway Inn, Basset Center.

Arrangements had been made to display the TNA traveling exhibit "Coins & Currency in Texas History" and following the show, plans called for showings at one of the local banks and the Credit Union.

New club members are Rita and James Arnold and Andy Gnoza. - **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT XI —

A round of applause was given Nela Runkle at the meeting of **Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.** as she and Francis are moving to Houston. Nela has served the club over the years in many capacities and is appreciated by the club.

Louis Fleming gave a program on "Type Coin Collecting" and the Coin Market report was given joint-



Walt Woelper
Governor



Nela Runkle
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ly by Jimmy Eddington and Tom Zorn.

Winning door prizes were Brandon Boyd, junior; Dave Clugy, Ann Wilson, Linda Caylor, Elizabeth Eddington and Jimmy Eddington. - **Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11.**

DISTRICT XIII —

Reports on the recent coin show hosted by **Red River Coin Club** of Iowa City were given at the regular meeting held at Texas Electric Service Co. Community Room.

The reports reflected great satisfaction by the dealers who expressed a desire for space for the next show. The event was held at the Wichita Falls Activity Center and the Wichita Bureau of Commerce & Industry felt that it was extremely beneficial to the community.

Ray Whyborn conducted the auction consisting of 35 lots of U.S. and world coins. Fifteen were present for the meeting. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

Ray Coleman gave a short talk on his experiences touring the Far East at the **Green Belt Coin Club** meeting in Vernon. Coleman was impressed with the oriental way of measuring men and women for clothing during the day and having the completed garments delivered to the



Raymond E. Whyborn
Governor

customer aboard ship before sailing time. He noted that U.S. dollars and the Visa cards are readily accepted and no need to convert currency.

Bill Howard was auctioneer for the 20-lot auction. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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Members of **Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club** were notified that the club could move back to its former location at North Texas Savings & Loan Bldg. after being asked to vacate for remodeling. The plans fell through so the members are happy to again occupy the clean, modern, well-lit facility at no charge.

Logan Essex was in charge of the 43-lot auction and Ray Whyborn won the door prize of a 1970 U.S. proof set. - **Raymond E. Whyborn, Gov. Dist. 13.**

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DISTRICT XV —

Last minute plans were made for hosting the one day coin show by **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** at the club meeting. The show was set for March 9 at Port Arthur Civic Center, Hwy. 73.

Dewey Scott was named bourse chairman. Plans called for hourly door prizes and coin appraisals to be available.

The club holds regular meetings the 1st Thursday in the Media Room



Dewey L. Scott
Governor

at Jeff County Airport - **Club Bulletin.**

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Jerry Williams is serving as bourse chairman for the **Beaumont Coin Club** annual show at the Beaumont Hilton, 2355 IH10 on September 20-21. Williams can be reached at 2645 North St. Beaumont 77702.

New officers for 1986 are Dale Richey, president; Sid King, vice president; John Brown, treasurer; Kaye Brown, secretary; and Jack Provost, sergeant-at-arms.

King announced that he is planning some excellent programs in 1986 to coincide with the Texas Sesquicentennial celebration. - **Kaye Brown, Sec.**

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A program covering interesting facts concerning Texas' independence from Mexico were given by Jerry Williams at the **Greater Orange Coin Club** meeting. He stated that Texas is the only state that has been under six flags: Spain France Mexico Republic of Texas Confederate USA. Texas became a state on December 29, 1845 and the first governor was Sam Houston.

In keeping with the Texas Sesquicentennial celebration, club members were asked to plan the club meetings with that time in mind. Anyone wanting to give a program should contact Sidney King - **Becky Scott, Sec.**

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